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January 14, 1982

Mr. Kenneth Chin Environmental Protection Agency John F. Kennedy Building Region I Room 2109 Boston, Massachusetts 02203

RE: NPDES Permit Number RI-0001171

Dear Mr. Chin:

This letter is intended to comply with provisions of Part II, A.5 of the above referenced permit. A four-hour period of non-compliance occurred on January 12, 1982 when raw waste was discharged into the Pawtuxet River from a break in our main raw waste transfer line. Measures were immediately taken to reduce flow in the line and initiate repairs. During this period all discharges of concentrated process wastewater were curtailed. The approximate volume discharged was 24,000 gallons. The pH of the river upstream of the discharge was 6 and downstream of the discharge was 6. The pH of the discharge varied between 4 and 12 during this period. There was no adverse impact on the river as a result of this incident.

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